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GOVERNOR BARBOUR ANNOUNCES GRANTS TO HELP
REVITALIZE COASTAL COMMUNITIES

Jackson, Mississippi – Governor Haley Barbour today announced approval of more than \$97.2 million in grants to help with post-Katrina revitalization projects in 15 coastal communities, ranging from new fire stations in Bay St. Louis, Moss Point, Picayune, Poplarville and Waveland to a county services complex in Jackson County.

“In most cases these funds through the federal Community Block Grant Program will be combined with other funding to support a range of improvements in communities hard hit by Katrina,” Governor Barbour said. “These projects represent additional steps in the restoration of many public resources on the Mississippi Coast that will greatly improve day-to-day life for residents and help the region come back stronger than ever.”

In addition, Governor Barbour said a total of \$7.2 million in grants have been approved to help communities plan for new growth and development, an important element in recovery efforts. “The issue of how best to manage growth and development is important to the long-term economic health of the Coast. This funding will help local communities find what works best for them.”

Community Revitalization grants include the following:

Planning grants include the following:

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